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CMP-N-ACETYLNEURAMINIC ACID
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In response to the PTO Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 USC 371 dated February 5, 2007, submitted herewith is a Declaration for the above application executed by the inventors. Also enclosed is the Sequence Listing in paper and computer readable form which are identical and contain no new matter, as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e).

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It is respectfully submitted that the application is now complete, and early indication thereof is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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Title: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING CMP-N-ACETYLNEURAMINIC ACID

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() the attached specification, or

(X) the specification in application Serial No. 10/573,385, filed March 24, 2006, and with amendments through _____, or

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